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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 23 and 25 as follows:

- 23. (Amended) A codec including a motion estimator for estimating video motion according to claim 1.
- 25. (Amended) A computer program arranged to carry out a method as claimed in claim 1.

AUTHORIZATION

If the Commissioner determines that an additional fee is due, or an additional extension of time required, applicant petitions for the extension of time, and authorizes the Commissioner to charge any required fee, or credit any overage, to deposit account 13-4500, Order No. 4362-4001. A duplicate of this sheet is included.

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APPENDIX

23. (Amended) A codec including a motion estimator for estimating video motion according to [any one of claims 1 to 21] <u>claim 1</u>.

25. (Amended) A computer program arranged to carry out a method as claimed in [any one of claims 1 to 22] <u>claim 1</u>.